

Gum Chewing Good For Jaws Say Physicians

Washington, Nov. 19—One of the most unusual treatments in the history of medical science is being administered to Major Ramee, of the Thirtieth United States Infantry, at the Walter Reed Hospital here.

Major Ramee recently was giving instruction at Fort Niagara, N. Y., in rifle practice to members of the infantry team which won second honors in the national rifle shoot at Camp Perry, Ohio, when he sustained his injury. During one of the practice sessions, while he was demonstrating how it should be done, his rifle "back-fired," tearing away part of the flesh of his cheek between the eyes and the mouth and leaving severe powder burns.

He was sent to the Walter Reed Hospital here, maintained by the government for the benefit of veterans maimed while in government military service, and underwent hasty repairs, enabling him to leave the hospital in time to direct the picked infantry team in the national shoot in September.

Chews Gobs of Gum

Following the national contests, in which members of Major Ramee's team concede their defeat to be due to the accident their leader had suffered, Major Ramee returned to Walter Reed Hospital for further treatment. It was found necessary to cut away a part of the flesh. When the wound healed the major's jaw muscles were drawn so taut that he could not open his mouth.

Confronted by this puzzling predicament, the surgeons who performed the operation solved the problem by resourcefully prescribing the unusual treatment that Major Ramee is now undergoing. It is simply chewing large masses of gums at intervals. He crams five packages (consisting of five sticks in each package) of chewing gum into his mouth at once, on the advice of his physicians, and chews vigorously every few hours. The idea, it was said at the hospital, is to make more elastic the drawn muscles, so that they will be restored to normal, enabling him to use his mouth unhampered.

Major Ramee's regular station is at Camp Lewis, Tacoma, Washington. It is hoped that the unusual treatment he is now undergoing will prove successful. He hopes to recover in sufficient time to head the championship infantry team next year.

New Books at Public Library

"A Life of Arthur James Balfour," an entertaining study of a man of interesting personality, by E. T. Raymond.

"Walt Whitman," one of the series "American Men of Letters," written by Bliss Perry.

"Ella Flagg Young, and a Half-Century of Chicago Public Schools," by John T. McManis.

"The British and American Drama of Today, Outlines for their Study," some biographical notes of the modern dramatists with lists of their plays and brief studies of special plays of each, by Barrett Harper Clark.

"Connecticut Wits," a book of pleasing, scholarly literary essays by Henry Augustine Beers.

John Smith, U. S. A., by Eugene Field.

"Little Songs for Two," poems by Edmund Vance Cooke.

"The New World of Islam," an analysis of the political, economic and religious changes which are taking place in the Mohammedan countries since the war as they are interpreted by Theodore Lothrop Stoddard, recently the author of "Rising Tide of Color."

"An Introduction to the History of Religion," by Frank Byron Jevons.

"Hygiene of Communicable Diseases," a handbook for sanitarians, medical officers of the army and navy and general practitioners, by Francis Merton Munson.

"The Direction of Human Evolution," a lucid, interesting discussion of evolution as the author believes it to be generally accepted today, by Edwin Grant Conklin.

"Vocation Mathematics," application of mathematics to the practical problems of the carpenter.

engineer, electrician and machinist, by William H. Dooley.

"Birmingham," a story of that English town by J. H. B. Masterman.

"Geography Physical, Economic, Regional," by James Franklin Chamberlain.

"Foundry Works," a practical handbook on standard foundry practice, including hand and machine molding; cast iron, malleable iron, steel, and brass castings; foundry management, etc., by Burton L. Gray.

"Lucinda," by Anthony Hope Hawkins.

"Rilla of Ingleside," by Lucy Maud Montgomery.

For the Children.

"The Christmas Child," a book of verse for children, by Nora Archibald Smith.

"Mehitable," by Katharine Adams.

"Double Play," a story of school and baseball, by Ralph Henry Barbour.

"The Black Buccaneer," by Stephen W. Meader.

"The Walrus-Fort," further adventures of Thomas Fox and Pitamakan, by James Willard Schultz.

Music And Words In "Angel Face" Based On Real Plot

The fact is frequently overlooked, but it is a fact nevertheless, that our old friends "Words and Music" are tremendously important factors in musical comedy.

In "Angel Face" which will be seen at the Grand Theatre, next Tuesday, Victor Herbert, who wrote the music, is at his best, and the Smith brothers, Harry B. and R. B., have turned out a book which is genuinely funny.

It has been customary to say, and generally with justice, that the tale of musical comedy is negligible, but in "Angel Face," it is very much in evidence. In fact, it is as complicated as a French farce, with everyone, including even the chorus, having a part in the unfolding. Space does not permit giving the details of its vast ramifications. An indication of the revelation that the basis of the fun is the recent alleged discovery of Dr. Serge Veronoff, dealing with the restoration of youth of persons in advanced years by the grafting of chimpanzee glands. This process has been modified into a sort of Ponce de Leon elixir, and the result of its taking are novel and ludicrous.

Mr. Herbert has written a scene of many melodic delights, with

a happy mingling of orchestral and vocal comedy, sentiment and romance. The lively "I Might be Your Once in a While" is one of the many hits.

Add to the above there is a company of youth, charm and ability featuring Marguerite Zender, Nora Kelly and Nat Carr, in addition to the above the company includes Tyler Brooks, Joe Mack, William Cameron, Sarah McVicker, Bertha Belmore, Ethel Martelle, Clem Bevins, Agnes Patterson, Lillian Young, Evelyn Greig, Gall Mack, Neil Moore, John Reinhard, Willard Hall and Bruce Budington.

Bond Investment Authority Cited

While authority for the investment of the segregated funds of the industrial accident commission is vested in the state bond commission, according to Attorney General Van Winkle the authority for the investment of the unsegregated portion of these funds, or the industrial accident fund proper lies in the hands of the state treasurer. Authority for the sale of bonds held by these various funds is similarly vested, according to the attorney general.

With this question of authority thus disposed of on opinions rendered at the request of the state treasurer, steps were being taken this afternoon for the sale of bonds held by the industrial accident fund and the rehabilitation fund of the industrial accident commission for the replenishment of those two funds which have become depleted through unusually heavy drafts on these funds together with decreased incomes. Sale of bonds in the industrial accident fund will be made by State Treasurer Hoff while the sale of the rehabilitation bonds must be made by the bond commission.


Portland, Or., Nov. 19—Bills with accompanying low temperature this morning started a "silver thaw" in some districts of Portland.

Such dissatisfaction is expressed in Umatilla county at certain recent actions of the county court, and talk of recall is rife.

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Mr. Souvaine is touring the Pacific Coast and arrangements have been made for his visit to Salem.

Miss Penelope Davies, Soprano, of New York City, will assist Mr. Souvaine. The program will be of high order. For full particulars inquire of

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